

North Carolina Medicaid Special Bulletin



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**Attention:
All Providers**

**North Carolina Medicaid EHR Incentive Payment
System (NC-MIPS) is Open for Program Year 2018**

[NC-MIPS](#) is accepting Program Year 2018 Modified Stage 2 and Stage 3 MU attestations.

In Program Year 2018, Eligible Professionals (EPs) may continue using a 90-day EHR (MU objective) reporting period. EPs may attest with a 90-day Clinical Quality Measure (CQM) reporting period if they **only** attested to adopt, implement or upgrade (AIU) thus far **and** will be attesting to MU for the first time in Program Year 2018.

They will see no changes to the attestation process in NC-MIPS.

However, EPs who have met MU in a previous program year will be required to use a full calendar year CQM reporting period in Program Year 2018. Since the CQM reporting period must be a full calendar year for these EPs, they will not be able to submit CQM data in NC-MIPS until Jan. 1, 2019. EPs who would like an early review of requirements, excluding CQMs, will be allowed to submit their attestation in two parts.

Part 1 of the attestation may be submitted between May 1, 2018 and Dec. 31, 2018. It includes demographic, license, patient volume and MU objective data. EPs will **not** be required to sign or email any documentation for Part 1. The signed attestation packet will be emailed only once—after submission of CQMs.

After Part 1 is submitted on NC-MIPS, program staff will conduct validations. The state will notify EPs of any discrepancies, giving EPs ample time to address any issues.

After Part 1 is validated, EPs may return Jan. 1, 2019 through April 30, 2019 to submit their CQM data on NC-MIPS. After submitting that information on NC-MIPS, providers will email the signed attestation packet and CQM report from the EP's EHR to NCMedicaid.HIT@dhhs.nc.gov to complete Part 2 of the attestation.

Note: This process does not increase or reduce the information being submitted, but allows EPs to complete their attestation in a 12-month window instead of in four months.

TIP: If the provider was paid for Program Year 2017 using a 90-day patient volume reporting period from May 1, 2017 through Dec. 31, 2017, the provider may use the same patient volume reporting period to attest now for Program Year 2018.

Visit the [program website](#) for more information.

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